

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A heat exchanger assembly for a motor vehicle comprising:
  - at least one manifold,
  - at least one holder,
  - a flange secured to the manifold,
  - wherein the holder and flange are separate pieces,
  - wherein the flange includes at least one opening configured to receive a connecting tube,
  - wherein the flange is configured to be joined to the manifold by the at least one holder,
  - wherein the at least one holder includes a laterally protruding holding arm,
  - wherein the flange has at least one holding attachment with [[a]] at least one holding and guiding groove, wherein the groove comprises an interior surface and oppositely disposed sidewall surfaces,
  - wherein a longitudinal direction of the interior surface of the holding and guiding groove extends transversely in relation to a longitudinal direction of the manifold, and
  - wherein the holding and guiding groove is configured to receive the holding arm.
2. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flange is arranged laterally offset with respect to the manifold.
3. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one holder is secured to the manifold.
4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the connecting tube is configured to be inserted into the manifold and into the flange, wherein the connecting tube can be soldered to the manifold and to the flange.
6. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flange has two holding attachments and is connected to the manifold by two holders arranged parallel to one another.
7. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flange has a connection face and the heat exchanger has an end face, wherein the connection face and the end face are arranged approximately parallel to one another.
8. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 7, wherein the flange has two connection openings arranged next to one another in the connection face.
9. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flange is produced as a blank by extrusion or extrusion molding.
10. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flange is produced as a blank by casting or drop-forging.
11. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the heat exchanger includes a block comprising tubes and fins, wherein the heat exchanger is configured to be soldered in complete form with the at least one manifold, the connecting tube, the at least one holder, and the flange.
12. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange comprises four openings in which the at least one opening is one of said openings.
13. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 12, wherein a first opening is the at least one opening, wherein a second opening is configured to engage an end of a tube, ~~first and second of said four openings are each configured to engage with an end of a connecting tube,~~ wherein a third of said four openings is configured as an inlet of a refrigerant circuit, and wherein a fourth of said four openings is configured as an outlet of the refrigerant circuit.

14. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange and manifold are soldered together.

15. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the assembly further comprises ~~two connecting tubes~~ another connecting tube.

16. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange comprises ~~two openings~~ another opening, wherein ~~each of said openings~~ the another opening is configured to engage with a ~~connecting~~ tube.

17. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one opening is configured to engage with an end of the connection tube such that the flange forms an interface with ~~[[the]]~~ an end of the connection tube for fluid flow from the end of the connection tube.

18. (Previously Presented) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one holder is caulked to the manifold.

19. - 20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange comprises at least four openings, wherein a first of said at least four openings is the at least one opening and a second of said at least four openings is configured to engage an end of a tube, ~~second of said at least four openings are each configured to engage with an end of a connecting tube~~, and a third and a fourth of said at least four openings are each closed by a plug.

22. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the flange comprises at least four openings, wherein a first of said at least four openings is the at least one opening and a second of said at least four openings is configured to engage an end of a tube, ~~wherein a first and second of said at least four openings are each configured to engage with a connecting tube~~, wherein a third of said at least four openings is configured as an inlet of a refrigerant circuit, wherein a fourth of said at least four openings is configured as an

outlet of the refrigerant circuit, and wherein the flange further comprises at least one securing lug arranged adjacent each of the third and fourth openings.

23. (New) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one holder comprises a pair of holders, wherein the at least one holding and guiding groove comprises a pair of holding and guiding grooves, and wherein the interior surfaces of the pair of holding and guiding grooves face in opposite directions.

24. (New) The heat exchanger assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one holder comprises a pair of holders, and wherein each holder comprises a downwardly directed tab inserted into a respective slit formed in the manifold.